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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INVITATIONAL TRAVEL

1. AMEMBASSY BERLIN REQUESTS DEPARTMENT APPROVAL FOR
INVITATIONAL TRAVEL AS OUTLINED BELOW:

NAME OF TRAVELER: CHRISTINE ELDER
CURRENT POSITION: CULTURAL AFFAIRS OFFICER,
AMEMBASSY BERLIN
DATES OF TRAVEL: NOVEMBER 12-23, 1999
DESTINATION OF TRAVEL: WASHINGTON AND CHICAGO
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PURPOSE OF TRAVEL: TO ATTEND A CONFERENCE ON "NEW
GENERATION AND NEW APPROACH -
GERMANY AND THE USA IN AN AGE OF
GLOBAL HISTORY"
SPONSORS OF TRAVEL: KONRAD ADENAUER FOUNDATION,
WASHINGTON OFFICE
EXPENSES TO BE COVERED BY THE SPONSORS: AIRFARE AND
CHICAGO HOTEL

2. JUSTIFICATION: MS. ELDER WAS INVITED TO ATTEND THIS
CONFERENCE DUE TO HER ENGAGEMENT IN PREVIOUS YOUNG
LEADERS PROGRAMS IN EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES. BY
TRANSITING WASHINGTON EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO, THIS TRIP WILL
PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE ADDITIONAL INTRODUCTORY
APPOINTMENTS IN WASHINGTON. MS. ELDER'S ATTENDANCE IS
CLEARLY IN THE USG AND MISSION'S INTEREST, WHICH WOULD
COVER THE COSTS OF HER PARTICIPATION IF FUNDS WERE
AVAILABLE.

3. IN ACCORDANCE WITH 2 FAM EXHIBIT 964.4, POST
CERTIFIES THAT:

A) THE INVITATIONAL TRAVEL WOULD FURTHER THE INTERESTS
OF THE BUREAU AND THE USG BY HAVING A RECOGNIZED LEADER
IN TRANSATLANTIC RELATIONS REPRESENT THE USG AT THIS
PRESTIGIOUS CONFERENCE. THE CONTACTS MADE OR
REESTABLISHED AT THIS EVENT WOULD BE MOST VALUABLE IN THE
PURSUIT OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY GOALS.

B) NEITHER POST NOR BUREAU FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO PAY
FOR THIS TRIP.

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C) THE DURATION OF THE TRIP IS LIMITED TO OFFICIAL
PURPOSES AND COMMENSURATE WITH THE OFFICIAL BENEFIT
RECEIVED.

D) THE PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS OFFERING THE TRAVEL ARE NON-
PROFIT IN NATURE, AND THEREFORE HAVE NO BUSINESS
INTERESTS BEFORE OR AFFECTED BY THE POST, BUREAU OR THE
DEPARTMENT.

E) NO REASONABLE PERSON COULD BELIEVE THAT THE
SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS ARE OBTAINING IMPROPER INFLUENCE
OVER THE POST, BUREAU OR DEPARTMENT BY FUNDING THIS
TRAVEL.

4. PLEASE ADVISE IF FURTHER INFORMATION IS REQUIRED.

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